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In re Application of: WALKER et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
SELLING SUBSCRIPTIONS TO
PERIODICALS IN A RETAIL
ENVIRONMENT

) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

) Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned

) **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, entry of the following amendments into the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

A M E N D M E N T

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, line 1, please **INSERT** the following Title of the Invention and paragraph before the section entitled "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION":

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SELLING SUBSCRIPTIONS TO PERIODICALS
IN A RETAIL ENVIRONMENT

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS:

The present application is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/335,644, filed June 18, 1999; which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/841,791, filed May 5, 1997, and issued July 20, 1999 as U.S. Patent No. 5,926,796, the entirety of which is incorporated by reference herein.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please **CANCEL** Claims 4-85 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited herein.

R E M A R K S

Applicants presently intend to file an additional paper in this application. Accordingly, if the application is taken up for action prior to receipt of such paper, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below or by electronic mail at Alderucci@walkerdigital.com.

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Respectfully submitted,



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